

MYSTERY CLEARED IN REALTY HISTORY

Location of Republics Building Due to Charles C. Glover.

ENGINEERS DEAL AND SAVES \$50,000

Believes Seventeenth Street Site Will Eventually Be Center of Government Buildings.

With the approach of completion of the \$500,000 building on Seventeenth street, which was donated by Andrew Carnegie to be used by the Bureau of American Republics, some interesting details have come to light concerning the purchase by the Government of the 25,000 square feet of ground as a site for the building.

Frequently the questions have been asked: "Who was responsible for locating the building in that part of the city?" and "Who engineered the shrewd deal by which the Government was enabled to buy the ground for \$300,000—\$50,000 less than the amount called for in the appropriation bill passed by Congress?"

The one person in Washington who can answer fully both of these questions is Charles C. Glover, president of the Riggs National Bank.

Hero of Story.

Mr. Glover could relate one of the most interesting chapters in the real estate history of Washington, if he cared to. As a matter of fact, it has now become known that it was due to him entirely that the Government chose the Seventeenth street site. There are such characters in the story as former Secretary of State Elihu Root, the then Assistant Secretary of State Robert Bacon, and Dr. Charles W. Needham, president of George Washington University, but Mr. Glover is the principal figure and without the part he played the deal, in all probability, would never have been consummated.

While he had no pecuniary interest in the sale of the property, the fact that he had originated the movement for the reclamation of river flats; had caused to be introduced in Congress the bill which resulted in the formation of Potomac Park, and was interested in the growth of that section of the city from the standpoint of civic, as well as, perhaps, of a certain amount of personal pride, led Mr. Glover to expend every effort to have the Government secure the site, which it finally bought for the location of the Republics buildings.

What Was Accomplished.

These efforts consisted not only in convincing Mr. Root that such a location would find the building placed eventually in that part of the city beautified by more handsome Government buildings than any other, but in persuading President Needham as well that the site, which was then held by the George Washington University, would be undesirable and impractical for the location of the university and should be sold at a price that the purchaser was willing to pay.

At the beginning of the negotiations, Mr. Root was in favor of the Bureau of American Republics being located further up in the city, and President Needham was anything but inclined to dispose of the Seventeenth street property. The task before Mr. Glover seemed well nigh hopeless.

The Climax.

The climax to the negotiation, however, and the interesting feature of the story, occurred about 7 o'clock one evening, at a time when it was entirely unexpected that an agreement would be reached. Mr. Bacon phoned Mr. Glover and informed him that Mr. Root had made up his mind to buy the Seventeenth street site. If it could be purchased for \$200,000 immediately Mr. Glover got into communication with President Needham over the phone, who was then attending a meeting of the board of trustees of the university, and stated the offer to him.

"Wait just a second," said President Needham, "until I can ask the trustees about this."

In less than two minutes President Needham was back at the phone.

"It's all right," said the university head. "The trustees have accepted the offer. We will sell the land."

Deal Is Closed.

Within the next few days the deal was entirely closed and the university received a cash consideration for the property. It had purchased it for \$250,000 and thus cleared \$25,000 on the transaction. The Government saved \$50,000 by making the purchase.

While this is one interesting deal for property in the Potomac Park neighborhood, it is by no means the only one. He bought the site for the Corcoran Art Gallery and the Department of the American Revolution building, and has lately secured the option on the 165,000 square feet of ground for the National Auditorium. In each case it was necessary to see a number of property owners, and when the total consideration was arrived at it was found that the price per square foot was remarkably low.

The ground for the Corcoran Art Gallery and the D. A. R. building was bought for an average of \$2.25 a square foot. The option on the Auditorium property calls for approximately \$2.16 a square foot. In this case the property is improved with buildings which are at present returning a rental income of \$8,390 a year.

Money Saved.

Had condemnation proceedings been instituted the Government would undoubtedly have had to pay much more for the property than has been the case. Mr. Glover is in favor of the property along the line of B street, fronting on the park, being made into a great athletic field, where football, baseball, tennis, and every kind of outdoor pastime may be engaged in by Washingtonians. He is not in favor, however, of a street railway being run along Seventeenth street in front of the Government and public buildings. The feature of transportation is easily solved, he states, by having a line extend down Seventeenth to G, thence one block to H, and then continuing.

It is the opinion of Mr. Glover that the Potomac Park section will eventually be improved by the handsome Government buildings in the District.

COUGHLIN SETTLED.

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LEADER IN ADVANCED THOUGHT



BISHOP LAWRENCE.

Of Massachusetts, Preached in Washington Today, on the Invitation of the Rev. Roland Cotton Smith.

THUGS START RIOT IN MISSION HOUSE

Break Glass, Smash Chairs, and Evangelists Have Narrow Escape.

BOSTON, Feb. 7.—Glass was broken and chairs smashed by a crowd of young thugs who, shortly before 1 o'clock this morning, broke into the Merrimac Mission, on Staniford street, where the Rev. and Mrs. William Asher, of the Chapman Evangelists, had just held a revival service.

About twenty-five evangelists and people interested in the work had remained after the meeting to discuss the success they had had when the crowd of young men broke through the door, smashing the glass, and started a general riot by breaking all the furniture within reach.

Timely arrival of the police prevented, it is believed, an attack on the evangelists personally. Word that the officers were coming passed to the thugs, who rapidly dispersed.

The meeting had been very noisy. There were outbreaks from all parts of the room by drunken men. Every one wanted to hold the floor at once. Still the commanding control of Mr. Asher worked powerfully on the audience, and the singing of Mrs. Asher at opportune times prevented any serious disturbance until the return of the thugs.

STATE SENATOR SUED FOR PROMISE BROKEN

Ohio Girl Declares Legislator Failed to Carry Out Marriage Engagement.

TOLEDO, Feb. 7.—A breach of promise suit has been filed in common pleas court here against State Senator Daniel S. Mooney, of St. Mary's, by Miss Minnie Walsh, of Toledo, asking \$10,000 damages.

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DEEP-SEATED FAITH BISHOP'S SUBJECT

Rt. Rev. William Lawrence Preaches in St. John's Today.

Deeper and broader conviction of the meaning of religious truths presented in every-day life is what is needed to embrace the true Christian character, according to the Rt. Rev. William Lawrence, Bishop of Massachusetts, who filled the pulpit at St. John's Church, Sixteenth and H streets, today.

The distinguished Massachusetts churchman, who came here at the request of the Rev. Roland Cotton Smith, the pastor, is one of the great leaders of advanced thought in the Episcopal Church, and his presence served to fill every seat at St. John's.

Taking his text from the third chapter of St. John, he prefaced his sermon with a tribute to the life and character of Mrs. Alfred Harding, who died yesterday, and expressed deep sympathy for his fellow-churchman in his bereavement.

Striking Parallel.

"The life of John the Baptist," said Bishop Lawrence, "offers a striking parallel to the Church in its attitude toward its people. Deep and strong in her conviction, the Church, like the great leader of Biblical times, frequently lacks sympathy and tolerance for those whose convictions are not strongly grounded. While religious conviction is one of the Church's strong holds on her people," he added, "it is also an element of weakness."

"What is pointed out in the gospel of St. John is so of the Church," said Bishop Lawrence. "The Church has not always been ready to recognize and welcome new religious truths as they have appeared. Though deep and strong in her conviction, the Church is not always alert to the great principles which are working for the uplift of mankind, namely, the brotherhood of man and the right of the individual to adhere to his individual belief."

"In this same respect, the parent often errs. The father, himself convinced of the meaning and value of certain religious truths, holds that his son must be brought up in the same way as he has; the same home training must do, the same schooling, and the same religious teaching. But the world's mind is influenced by a changed environment, and that training which served the father admirably does not develop the son properly."

Should See Mistake.

"Parents should see this mistake, that their children may not be deprived of the great influence of initiative. The deeper principle involved in the training of a child is whether the child is straight, true, and honest."

Bishop Lawrence, referring to Abraham Lincoln as "the first American," offered the great emancipator's life as an object of deep and enduring Christian faith.

"Lincoln," he said, "recognized the deeper principles of American character, and that is why the influence of his life has left so marked an impression on the people whom he served. He even recognized the mystical truths of his life, and this gave him a stronger hold on those around him than any religious truth could give him. 'If our faith is well grounded,' he said, 'we need have little fear.'"

In the present search all efforts to trace her through the bookkeeping offices of the steamship and railway have failed. One conjecture is that she may have taken steamer for America under an assumed name, but there is no real foundation for the rumor.

A. I. VORYS DECLINES INSURANCE POSITION

Turns Down \$7,000 a Year Offer So He Can Continue Political Activity.

TOLEDO, Feb. 7.—According to authentic information received here today, Arthur I. Vorys, Republican national committeeman from Ohio, and one of the city's managers, has declined a \$7,000 position offered to him by the fire insurance companies of the United States. The position offered is that of peace-maker and publicity agent.

It is believed Mr. Vorys declined because he desired to retain his place in politics.

NEWTON MAN NAMED.

BOSTON, Feb. 7.—It was learned today that Dennison K. Bullen, the twenty-two year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Bullen, of Newton, has been appointed instructor at Pennsylvania State College. He is a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

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FUNERAL TO BE HELD IN CHURCH SHE LOVED

Committee Which Had Charge of Bishop Harding's Consecration Plans Obsequies of His Wife. Services in St. Paul's Tomorrow.

The committee that had charge of the arrangements for the recent consecration of Bishop Harding will, on request of the bishop, have charge of the arrangements for the funeral services for his wife, Mrs. Justine Butler Prindle Harding. The obsequies will be held at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at St. Paul's Church. The private funeral services will be held at 8 o'clock Monday morning at the same place, the Rev. Dr. C. H. Holmes singing requiem mass. The music will be under the direction of Edgar Priest, organist of the church.

The consecration committee, which will take charge of the funeral, is composed of Canon G. F. C. Bratenahl, of St. Aubin's Church; the Rev. C. Ernest Smith, of St. Thomas' Church; the Rev. Dr. W. L. DeVries, of St. Mark's Church; the Rev. J. H. W. Blake, of Christ Church, Georgetown; the Rev. George P. Dudley, of St. Stephen's Church; and the Rev. E. S. Dunlap, of St. John's Church.

Interment will be in Rock Creek Cemetery.

Strain Too Great.

Mrs. Harding died shortly after 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon. She had been more or less of an invalid for twelve years, and the nervous and physical strain attendant upon the consecration of her husband as Bishop of Washington brought on her fatal illness. She returned from the reception given the bishop at the New Willard Hotel in a distressed condition, and grew steadily and rapidly worse until the end.

Friday morning Mrs. Harding rallied to consciousness and listened to communion service conducted by Bishop Harding. She recognized and spoke to members of the family, who gathered about her bedside and seemed to realize the end was near. Immediately after the service she lost consciousness, and did not again rally. At her bedside when death came were Bishop Harding, her three children—Alfred, Charlotte, and Paul—her sister, and two step-sisters.

Communicants at St. Paul's Church this morning appeared to have suffered a personal loss in the death of the bishop's wife. Rev. C. H. Holmes referred to it in a touching manner, while the congregation sat with bowed heads and tear-dimmed eyes.

Ask For Prayers.

"I have just come from the bishop's residence," he said, "and he asked me to convey the word to you that he loves you all dearly, and that at this time he needs your love and your prayers. Pray for the repose of the soul of the dead whom we all loved so dearly, and pray for the bishop that he may bear his great sorrow with less pain."

It was in St. Paul's Church that Bishop Harding, as rector, so endeared himself to his communicants and so impressed the leaders in the church with his ability and spirituality that he was elevated to the head of the church in Washington. He knows all of the communicants personally. To a scarcely less extent he felt among the communicants in all the churches of the diocese.

Mrs. Justine Butler Prindle Harding

JORDANS HOSTS AT A LUNCHEON

Luncheon at Chevy Chase Club Honoring Mr. and Mrs. Parr.

(Continued from Eighth Page.)

Senator Scott entertained at a stag dinner of fifty covers at the New Willard last evening.

Mrs. Meyer and the Misses Meyer, wife and daughters of the Postmaster General, will leave Washington Wednesday for a week's stay in Boston.

Mrs. Sherman, wife of the Vice President-elect, has gone to her home in Utica, N. Y., where she will remain until Tuesday.

The Merry-makers have issued invitations for their next dance, Thursday, February 11, at the National Rifle Amory.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Steinberger left town this morning and will be registered at the Hotel Knickerbocker, New York. After a week's stay in New York, they will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Engel, Port Washington, Long Island, and before their return home, will spend ten days at Atlantic City.

Mrs. A. K. Levan, of New York, leaves for her home Monday, accompanied by her sister, Miss Birdie Steiner.

Miss Bick has returned to town again, after a short stay in New York.

Miss Gertrude Herzog, of Cincinnati, has returned to her home, after being the guest of Miss Lewison, Irving street.

Mrs. Benjamin Hekl was hostess at the Mercantile Club last Wednesday at a whist, bridge, and lotto party, for the benefit of charity. The prize winners were Miss Amelia Wolf, Miss Julia Solomon, Mrs. Max Fisher, Mrs. Harry King, and Mrs. Benjamin Levan.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Gassenheimer returned home from a visit to California.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Kaufman left today for a two weeks' stay in Atlantic City.

Mrs. Sydney Kaufman, of the Ashley apartments, entertained the Bridge Club Friday afternoon. The decorations were carried out in yellow. The guests were Mrs. Simon Kann, Mrs. Gerson Nordlinger, Mrs. S. J. Steinberger, Mrs. A. Sigmund, Mrs. A. Meyer, Mrs. A. Lieberman, Mrs. Albert Sigmund, Mrs. Simon Lyons, Mrs. Sol Minister, and Misses Edna Weyl, and Mae Harris.

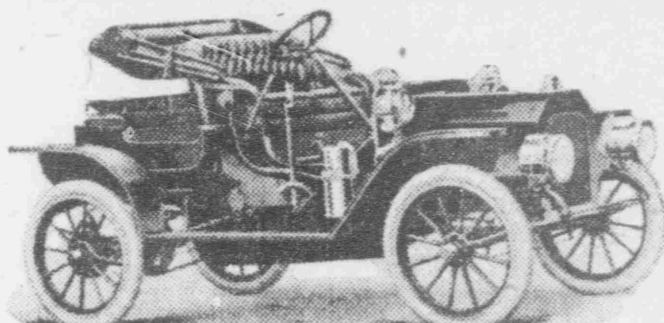
The prizes were won by Mrs. Simon Kann and Mrs. S. J. Steinberger.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Steiner have as their guests today Mr. and Mrs. Julius Pels, and Mrs. Simon Pels, and Dr. I. Pels, of Baltimore.

The Mercantile Club held its usual Thursday night whist. Several handsome prizes were distributed.

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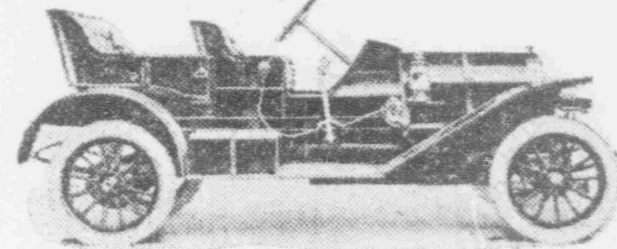
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